IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Vacca et al. Confirmation No.: 7165

Serial No.: 10/540,807

Group Art Unit: 3747

Filed: March 8, 2006 Examiner: Benton, Jason.

For: CONTROL VALVE WITH IMPROVED SEALING FOR A FLUID

CIRCULATION SYSTEM

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2007, Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee in the amount of \$1,020.00 to Deposit Account No. 08-2789 in the name of Howard & Howard, P.C.

If any additional fees are necessary to respond to the outstanding Office Action, you are hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 08-2789 in the name of Howard & Howard, P.C.

Respectfully submitted, HOWARD & HOWARD ATTORNEYS

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